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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, DC

Issued by the Department of Transportation on May 20, 2002

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN – DOCKET OST-2002-12191 – 2

This serves as notice to the public of the action described below, taken by the Department official indicated (no additional confirming order will be issued in this matter).

Application of American Airlines, Inc. filed 04/25/2002 to:

XX Transfer U.S.-India third-country code-share authorization.

By Notice of Action Taken on April 17, 2001 (Docket OST-2001-9167), the Department granted American the authority to be designated under the U.S.-India aviation agreement to provide third-country code-share services. That authorization was based on American's code-share arrangements with Swissair and Sabena for services beyond Zurich and Brussels to points in India. American states that the American/Swissair and American/Sabena arrangements have now been terminated.¹

In these circumstances, American requests transfer of its U.S.-India third-country code-share authorization to be designated in order to implement code-share services beyond Zurich to India with Crossair Ltd. d/b/a Swiss. American notes that the Department has already granted a blanket Statement of Authorization to American and Crossair d/b/a Swiss to engage in reciprocal code-share services on April 23, 2002 (Docket OST-2002-12001).

No answers to the application were filed.

Applicant rep: Carl B. Nelson (202) 496-5647 DOT Analyst: Michael D. Bodman (202) 366-9667

DISPOSITION

XX Granted.

The above action was effective when taken: May 20, 2002, and will remain in effect indefinitely.

Action taken by: Paul L. Gretch, Director

Office of International Aviation

XX The authority granted is consistent with the aviation agreement between the United States and India.

Except to the extent exempted or waived, this authority is subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations indicated:

XX Holder's certificates of public convenience and necessity.

XX Statement of Authorization dated April 23, 2002, in Docket-2002-12001, authorizing American/Crossair d/b/a Swiss code-share operations, and conditions therein.

On the basis of data officially noticeable under Rule 24(g) of the Department's regulations, we found the applicant qualified to provide the services authorized.

Under authority assigned by the Department in its regulations, 14 CFR Part 385, we found that (1) our action was consistent with Department policy; (2) grant of the authority was consistent with the public interest; and (3) grant of the

¹See Notices submitted by American in Docket OST-1999-5944 on November 8, 2001 (Swissair) and OST-1999-5943 on March 21, 2002 (Sabena).